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CLAIMS

- 1. (original) An alkoxylated alkyphenol-formaldehyde-diamine polymer prepared by reacting 1 molar equivalent of one or more diamines, 1 to about 10 molar equivalents of one or more alkylphenols and about 2 to about 14 molar equivalents of formaldehyde to form an alkylphenol-formaldehyde-diamine polymer and then reacting the alkylphenol-formaldehyde-diamine polymer with about 5 to about 3,500 molar equivalents of one or more alkylene oxides.
- 2. (original) The alkoxylated alkylphenol-formaldehyde-diamine polymer of claim 1 wherein the alkylene oxides comprise ethylene oxide and propylene oxide.
- 3. (original) The alkoxylated alkylphenol-formaldehyde-diamine polymer of claim 2 wherein the ethylene oxide and propylene oxide are added in block fashion.
- 4. (original) The alkoxylated alkylphenol-formaldehyde-diamine polymer of claim 3 wherein the ethylene oxide and propylene oxide are added in the sequence ethylene oxide-propylene oxide.
- 5. (original) The alkoxylated alkylphenol-formaldehyde-diamine polymer of claim 3 wherein the ethylene oxide and propylene oxide are added in the sequence ethylene oxide-propylene oxide-ethylene oxide.
- 6. (currently amended) The alkoxylated alkylphenol-formaldehyde-diamine polymer of claim 1 wherein the diamines are selected from the group consisting of ethylenediamine, triethylenetetramine triethylenetetramine, tetraethylenepentamine, pentaethylenehexamine, aminoethylpiperazine, 1,2-diaminocyclohexane, o-phenylenediamine and p-phenylenediamine.

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- 7. (original) The alkoxylated alkylphenol-formaldehyde-diamine polymer of claim 3 wherein the alkylphenol-formaldehyde-diamine polymer is reacted with about 650 to about 800 molar equivalents of alkylene oxide.
- 8. (previously presented) The alkoxylated alkylphenol-formaldehyde-diamine polymer of claim 3 prepared by reacting about 1 molar equivalent of one or more alkylphenols, about 2 to about 7 molar equivalents of formaldehyde and about 1 molar equivalent of one or more diamines to form an alkylphenol-formaldehyde-diamine polymer and then reacting the alkylphenol-formaldehyde-diamine polymer with about 650 to about 800 molar equivalents of ethylene oxide and propylene oxide.
- 10. (original) The alkoxylated alkylphenol-formaldehyde-diamine polymer of claim 1 comprising 1 to about 12 repeating units of formula

$$\begin{array}{c|c} R_2 & R_5 & C & R_8 \\ \hline \\ P & R_5 & C & R_7 \\ \hline \\ R_1 & R_5 & C \\ \hline \\ R_2 & C \\ \hline \end{array}$$

wherein R_1 is C_1 - C_{18} alkyl; R_2 , R_5 , R_6 , R_7 and R_8 are independently selected at each occurrence from H and CH₃; R_3 and R_4 are independently selected at each occurrence from H, C_1 - C_3 alkyl, aryl, hydroxy, alkoxy and halide; x is 1 to about 11; y is 1 to about 5; and p, q and r are independently about 5 to about 860.

10. (original) The alkoxylated alkylphenol-formaldehyde-diamine polymer of claim 9 wherein R_3 and R_4 are H.

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- 11. (original) The alkoxylated alkylphenol-formaldehyde-diamine polymer of claim 9 wherein R_1 is C_5 - C_{12} alkyl.
- 12. (original) The alkoxylated alkylphenol-formaldehyde-diamine polymer of claim 9 further comprising 1 to about 24 repeating units of formula

wherein R₉ is independently selected at each occurrence from H and CH₃, R₁₀ is C₁-C₁₈ alkyl and t is 0 to about 830.

- 13. (original) A demulsifier composition for resolving water-in-oil emulsions comprising one or more alkoxylated alkylphenol-formaldehyde-diamine polymers according to claim 1.
- 14. (original) A method of resolving a water-in-oil emulsion comprising adding to the emulsion an effective demulsifying amount of one or more alkoxylated alkylphenol-formaldehydediamine polymers according to claim 1.
- 15. (original) The method of claim 14 wherein the water-in-oil emulsion is a crude oil emulsion.
- 16. (original) The method of claim 14 wherein the crude oil emulsion is a refinery desalting emulsion.
- 17. (original) The method of claim 14 wherein the crude oil emulsion is a crude oil production emulsion.